# Resource Guide

(A Guide to Agencies and Organizations Related to Natural Resources in Iowa)





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# **Federal Agencies**

# National Park Service - NPS

 1849 C St. NW
 Midwest Region

 Washington, DC 20240
 1709 Jackson St.

 202/208-6843
 Omaha, NE 68102

 www.nps.gov
 402/221-3471

The National Park Service preserves unimpaired the natural and cultural resources and values of the national park system for the enjoyment, education, and inspiration of this and future generations. The Park Service cooperates with partners to extend the benefits of natural and cultural resource conservation and outdoor recreation throughout this country and the world. The web site includes educator resources.

#### NPS Sites in Iowa

#### **Effigy Mounds National Monument**

151 Hwy. 76 Harpers Ferry, IA 52146-7519

563/873-3491 fax: 563/873-3743 www.nps.gov/efmo

#### **Hebert Hoover National Historical Site**

110 Parkside Dr.; PO Box 607 West Branch, IA 52358-0607

319/643-2541 fax: 319/643-5367 www.nps.gov/heho

# Natural Resource Conservation Service – NRCS

 210 Walnut St.
 515/284-4260

 693 Federal Bldg.
 fax: 515/284-4394

 Des Moines, IA 50309
 www.ia.nrcs.usda.gov

The National Resource Conservation Service works through 100 field offices to provide technical assistance to landowners, farmers, communities, groups, and other agencies to help them protect the state's natural resources including soil, water, and wildlife habitat. Most offices have publications on soil and water conservation, habitat establishment, and more that can be requested in bulk for students.

NRCS provides advice to farmers on soil conservation measures and cost-share incentives; soils information for public use; and watershed programs for urban and rural communities.

NRCS oversees several programs that provide cost share and other incentives for conservation practices to protect or enhance natural resources on private land. Information is available on their web site.

Resource Conservation and Development (RC & D) areas help communities improve their economic base through training, seed money, and guidance. NRCS works through local Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCD) overseen by locally elected boards.

# Resource Conservation and Development Areas – RC&D

RC&D areas are multi-county units. Direction and leadership comes from local citizens within the area. Specifically, an RC&D is a local project in which residents work together with other organizations in woodland management, alternative crop development, and other areas of local interest.

#### M&M Divide RC&D Office

18 Park Ave.

Sac City, IA 50583-2430 Phone: 712/662-4088 Fax: 712/662-4533

#### Iowa Lakes RC&D Office

14 West 21st St., Suite 1 Box 265

Spencer, IA 51301 Phone: 712/262-2083 Fax: 712/262-2690

#### Sioux Rivers RC&D Office

206 First St. Box 874

Sergeant Bluff, IA 51054-0874

Phone: 712/943-7882 Fax: 712/943-7884

### Iowa Heartland RC&D Office

11730 SE 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. Runnells, IA 50237 Phone: 515/966-0044 Fax: 515/966-0046

#### Prairie Rivers of Iowa RC&D

510 South 11<sup>th</sup> St.

Box 572

Nevada, IA 50201 Phone: 515/382-1512 Fax: 515/382-5708

#### Prairie Winds RC&D Office

192 State St.

Garner, IA 50438-1120 Phone: 641/923-2837 Fax: 641/923-3660

#### Prairie Partners RC&D Office

1301 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. North, Suite 2 Humboldt, IA 50548-1150 Phone: 515/332-3337 Fax: 515/332-3961

#### Cedar Valley RC&D Office

619 Beck St.

Charles City, IA 50616-3722

Phone: 641/257-1912 Fax: 641/228-7378

#### Limestone Bluffs RC&D Office

1000 East Platt St., Suite 4 Maquoketa, IA 52060-2530 Phone: 563/652-5104 Fax: 563/652-5229

#### Northeast Iowa RC&D Office

101 East Greene St.

Box 916

Postville, IA 52162-0916 Phone: 563/864-7112 Fax: 563/864-7113

#### Southern Iowa RC&D Office

500 East Taylor Creston, IA 50801-4056 Phone: 641/782-7058 Fax: 641/782-6483

#### Golden Hills RC&D Office

712 South Hwy 6 and 59

Box 189

Oakland, IA 51560 Phone: 712/482-3029 Fax: 712/482-5590

#### Chariton Valley RC&D Office

19229 Hwy 5

Centerville, IA 52544-8922 Phone: 641/437-4376 Fax: 641/437-4638

#### Pathfinders RC&D Office

1805 West Jefferson Fairfield, IA 52556-4235 Phone: 641/472-6177 Fax: 641/472-6211

#### Iowa Valley RC&D Office

300 West Welsh St.

**Box 87** 

Williamsburg, IA 52361 Phone: 319/668-8110 Fax: 319/668-8202

#### Geode RC&D Office

308 North Third St. Burlington, IA 52601-2060 Phone: 319/752-6395

Fax: 319/752-0106

#### Interstate RC&D Office

3020 East 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. Airport Rd. Milan, IL 61264 Phone: 309/764-1486 Fax: 309/764-1830

#### Northwest Prairies RC&D Office

315 South Rerick

Box 543

Primghar, IA 51245-0543 Phone: 712/757-3835 Fax: 712/757-8500

# **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – COE**

Rock Island District Omaha District Kansas City District Clock Tower Bldg. 106 S 15th St. 601 E 12th St.

PO Box 2004 Omaha, NE 68102-1618 Kansas City, MO 64106 www.nwo.usace.army.mil www.nwk.usace.army.mil

309/794-5338

www.mvr.usace.army.mil

The Corps of Engineers is responsible for maintaining navigation on the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers and managing four flood control reservoirs – Coralville, Rathbun, Red Rock, and Saylorville Lakes. They maintain recreation areas for public use and provide public educational programs about protecting natural resources (e.g., eagle watches, camper programs, junior ranger programs). The Rock Island District encompasses approximately the eastern two-thirds of Iowa and publishes a quarterly newsletter, the *Mississippi River Review*. The remainder of the state is under the jurisdiction of the Omaha and Kansas City Districts.

#### Flood Control Reservoirs

Rathbun Lake Red Rock, Visitor Cntr. Saylorville, Visitor Cntr. Coralville Lake 2850 Prairie Du Chien Rd. 20112 Hwy. J5T 1105 Hwy. T15 5600 NW 78th Ave. Iowa City, IA 52240 Centerville, IA 52544 Knoxville, IA 50138 Johnston, IA 50131 319/338-3543 641/828-7522 641/647-2464 515/964-0672 www.saylorvillelake.org

#### Mississippi River

L&D #11, Dubuque, IA 563/582-0881

L&D #14, Pleasant Valley, IA 309/794-4301

L&D #15, Mississippi River Visitor Center, Rock Island, IL 309/794-5338

COE, Mississippi River Park Rangers, Thomson, IL 815/259-3628

L&D #16, Muscatine, IA 563/263-7913

#### Missouri River

Omaha, NE Office 402/896-0723

# U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – US EPA

Ariel Rios Building
Region 7 (IA, KS, MO, NE)
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
901 North 5th Street
Washington, DC 20460
Kansas City, KS 66101
202/272-0167
913/551-7003 or 800/223-0425
www.epa.gov

EPA's mission is to protect human health and safeguard the natural environment — air, water, and land. EPA works with other federal agencies, state and local governments, and Indian tribes to develop and enforce environmental regulations. EPA researches and sets national standards for environmental programs and delegates to states and tribes responsibility to issue permits, and monitor and enforce compliance. The Agency also administers voluntary pollution prevention programs and energy conservation efforts. Several educational resources are available on their web site.

# **USDA Forest Service – USFS**

Eastern Region (Region 9) 626 E Wisconsin Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53202 414/297-3600 www.fs.fed.us/r9/

The Forest Service manages public lands in national forests and grasslands. It is the largest forestry research organization in the world and provides technical and financial assistance to state and private forestry agencies. Region Nine's web page provides an eastern region fall color report, roadless area maps, wildlife, fish, and rare plant updates, and lists of recreational opportunities and events in National Forests. Naturewatch lists nature viewing opportunities, encourages safe and sound viewing ethics, and helps local communities' economics. Naturewatch materials are available online.

# U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - USFWS

One Federal Drive BHW Bldg. Fort Snelling, MN 55111 612/713-5360 midwest.fws.gov

USFWS is responsible for conserving, protecting, and enhancing the nation's fish and wildlife and their habitats for the continuing benefits of people. Major responsibilities include: migratory birds, endangered species, certain marine mammals, and freshwater and anadromous fish. The USFWS manages six national wildlife refuges totaling 109,843 acres in Iowa. Over 1 million people visit refuges each year to hunt, fish, participate in interpretive programs, and view wildlife.

#### Refuges in Iowa

Desoto NWR, 1434 316th Lane, Missouri Valley, IA 51555-7033,712/642-4121
Des Moines Law Enforcement Office, 210 Walnut St., Des Moines, IA 50309, 515/284-4125
Neil Smith NWR, PO Box 399, Prairie City, IA 50228-0399, 515/994-3400, www.tallgrass.org
8,000-acre prairie restoration and reconstruction and learning center

Port Louisa NWR, 10728 County Rd. X61, Wapello, IA 52653, 319/523-6982

Union Slough NWR, 1710 360th St., Titonka, IA 50480, 515/928-2523

Upper Miss. River NWR (McGregor Unit) and Driftless Area NWR, PO Box 460, McGregor, IA 52157, 563/873-3423 manages algific slope areas protecting endangered Pleistocene snail, 37 miles on the Mississippi River including Pools 9, 10, and 11, and a visitor center in McGregor

# U.S. Geological Survey – USGS

P.O. Box 1230 319/358-3600 Iowa City, IA 52244 fax: 319/358-3606 www.usgs.gov

The USGS stands as the sole science agency for the Department of the Interior. The USGS focuses on four major areas: natural hazards, resources, the environment, and information and data management. USGS provides a host of informational and educational resources available through their web site.

# **State Agencies**

# **lowa Department of Education – DE**

Bureau of Instructional Services Grimes State Office Bldg. Des Moines, IA 50319 515/281-3146 www.state.ia.us/educate

The Department of Education has an education consultant who provides information about programs related to integrating environmental education into school curricula. Information about environmental education opportunities can be found on the department's website. The state's education system also includes fifteen Area Education Agencies (AEA's) that loan materials and provide training opportunities to educators. The contact for environmental education in most AEA's is the science consultant.

#### AEA 1 (Keystone)

1400 2nd St. NW Elkader, IA 52043 563/245-1480 fax: 563/245-1484 www.aea1.k12.ia.us

#### **AEA 267**

9184 B 265th St. Clear Lake, IA 50428 641/357-6125 fax: 641/357-3201 www.aea267.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 267 (Special Ed.)

909 S 12th St. Marshalltown, IA 50158 641/753-3564 fax: 641/752-0075 www.aea267.k12.ia.us

#### **AEA 267**

3712 Cedar Heights Dr. Cedar Falls, IA 50613-6290 319/273-8200 fax: 319/273-8229 www.aea267.k12.ia.us

#### Northwest AEA

1382 4th Ave. NE Sioux Center, IA 51250 712/722-4378 fax: 712/722-1643 www.aea4.k12.ia.us

#### Northwest AEA

1520 Morningside Ave. Sioux City, IA 51106-1716 712/274-6000 fax: 712/274-6123 www.aea12.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 8 (Prairie Lakes)

5253 2nd St. Cylinder, IA 50528-0038 712/424-3211 fax: 712/424-3027 www.aea8.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 8 (Prairie Lakes)

1235 5th Ave. S Fort Dodge, IA 50501 515/574-5500 fax: 515/574-5508 www.aea8.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 8 (Prairie Lakes)

824 Flindt Dr., Suite 105 Storm Lake, IA 50588 712/732-2257 www.aea8.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 9 (Mississippi Bend)

729 21st St. Bettendorf, IA 52722 563/359-1371 fax: 563/359-5967 www.aea9.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 10 (Grant Wood)

4401 6th St. SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404-4499 319/399-6700 fax: 319/399-6457 www.aea10.k12.ia.us

# *AEA 11 (Heartland)* 6500 Corporate Dr.

Johnston, IA 50131-1603 515/270-9030 fax: 515/270-5383 www.aea11.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 13 Halverson Center

24997 Hwy. 92 Council Bluffs, IA 51503 712/366-0503 fax: 712/366-3431 www.aea13.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 13 Atlantic Reg. Office

701 Walnut Street Atlantic, IA 50022 712/243-1480 fax: 712/243-1493 www.aea13.k12.ia.us

#### **AEA 13 Peterson Center**

2600 S 9th St. Council Bluffs, IA 51501 712/322-7354 fax: 712/322-7419 www.aea13.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 13 Glenwood Reg.

212 Independence, Ste. 100 Glenwood, IA 51534 712/527-5261 fax: 712/527-5263 www.aea13.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 13 Harlan Reg.

2802-2 12th St. Harlan, IA 51537 712/755-3896 fax: 712/755-7455 www.aea13.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 13 Manawa Reg.

3501 Harry Langdon Blvd., Ste. 160 Council Bluffs, IA 51503 712/366-4210 fax: 712/366-4215 www.aea13.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 13 MO Valley Reg.

109 1/2 E Michigan Missouri Valley, IA 51555 712/642-4112 fax: 712/642-2173 www.aea13.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 13 Shenandoah Reg.

1213 5th Ave. Shenandoah, IA 51601 712/246-1716 fax: 712/246-1743 www.aea13.k12.ia.us

#### AEA 14 (Green Valley)

1405 N Lincoln St. Creston, IA 50801-1199 641/782-8443 fax: 641/782-4298 www.aea14.k12.ia.us

#### Great Prairie AEA

2814 N Court St. Ottumwa, IA 52501 641/682-8591 fax: 641/682-9083 www.gpaea.k12.ia.us

#### **Great Prairie AEA**

3601 W Avenue Rd. Burlington, IA 52601 319/753-6561 fax: 319/753-1527 www.gpaea.k12.ia.us

# Iowa Department of Natural Resources - DNR

Wallace State Office Bldg. 502 E 9th St. Des Moines, IA 50319-0034

515/281-5918 www.iowadnr.gov

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources is responsible for ensuring the proper management and protection of Iowa's natural resources while actively encouraging public use and enjoyment of these resources in a manner consistent with sound management principles. DNR provides public assistance and educational materials and programs, and is involved in environmental regulation and enforcement. IDNR produces many publications including a bi-monthly magazine, the *Iowa Outdoors*.

#### **Environmental Services**

The Environmental Services' mission includes protecting public safety, well-being, and quality of life by protecting the state's natural environment from harmful contamination. Environmental Services has four bureaus: Air Quality, Water Quality, Geological Survey and Land Quality, and Energy and Waste Management.

#### **Air Quality Bureau**

The Air Quality Bureau is responsible for monitoring the quality of ambient outdoor air and issuing permits to potential sources of air pollution. The DNR also protects outdoor air from asbestos contaminants. Educational resources can be found on their web page.

#### **Energy and Waste Management Bureau**

#### Energy

Energy publishes the quarterly *Iowa Energy Bulletin*, and has publications available on greenhouse gases, how to build energy-wise, wind energy, renewable energy, and more.

#### Waste Management

Waste Management deals with contaminated sites, household hazardous materials, making businesses waste efficient, recycling and composting, solid waste, underground storage tanks, waste tires, and more. It publishes a variety of booklets, brochures, videos and fact sheets on waste management and recycling.

# Iowa Geological Survey and Land Quality Bureau

319/335-1575 fax: 319/335-2754

#### Iowa Geological Survey

Iowa Geological Survey includes the IOWATER volunteer water quality monitoring program, and provides information on the natural resources geographic information system (GIS). It has databases, applications, and publications available on water quality, mapping, and earth science.

#### **IOWATER**

www.iowater.net

This volunteer water quality monitoring program includes training, a manual, and equipment for monitoring Iowa waters. Check the web site for a current listing of training opportunities.

#### **Land Quality**

Land Quality manages programs that protect Iowa's land and groundwater resources from contamination. It also has a voluntary cleanup program so participants can clean up contaminated property or take steps to insure threats posed by contamination do not harm human health or the environment. This property may be re-used, so farmland, open-spaces, or natural areas are not developed.

# **Water Quality Bureau**

The Water Quality Bureau is responsible for a diverse group of surface and groundwater programs. Field staff help people understand environmental protection programs and laws. They conduct routine inspections of all facilities permitted by the EPD. They also handle public complaints.

#### Field Offices

Field Office 1, 909 W Main, Ste. 4, Manchester, IA 52057	563/927-2640
Field Office 2, 2300 15th St. SW, Mason City, IA 50402	
Field Office 3, 1900 N Grand Ave., Spencer, IA 51301	
Field Office 4, 1401 Sunnyside Lane, Atlantic, IA 50022	
Field Office 5, 401 SW 7th, Ste.1, Des Moines, IA 50309	
Field Office 6, 1023 W Madison St., Washington, IA 52353-1623	

# **Conservation and Recreation Division**

#### **Fisheries Bureau**

Hatchery Tours Information: 515/281-8959

The Fisheries Bureau includes six fish hatcheries raising some 130 million fish each year, fifteen teams managing the state's lakes and rivers, and researchers helping solve fisheries problems identified by resource managers, anglers, and the public. Fisheries mangers are excellent sources of technical information as well as information about possible fishing sites. Many hatcheries have displays and tours of the facilities are available.

#### Fisheries Field Offices

Black Hawk Fish Management, 116 S State Rd., Lake View, IA 51450	.712/657-2638
Boone Fish Management, 1436 255th St., Boone, IA 50036	. 515/432-2823
Bellevue Fisheries Station, 24143 Hwy. 52, Bellevue, IA 52031	. 563/872-4976
Big Springs Hatchery, 16212 Big Springs Rd., Elkader, IA 52043	. 563/245-2446
Clear Lake Fish Management, 1203 N Shore Dr., Clear Lake, IA 50428	. 641/357-3517
Cold Springs Fish Management and Research, 57744 Lewis Rd., Lewis, IA 51544	.712/769-2587
Decorah Hatchery and Fish Management, 2321 Siewers Spring Rd., Decorah, IA 52101	. 563/382-8324
Fairport Hatchery, 3390 Hwy. 22 W, Muscatine, IA 52761	. 563/263-5062
Guttenberg Fish Management, 331 S River Park Dr., Guttenberg, IA 52052	. 563/252-1156
Lake Darling Fisheries Station, 110 Lake Darling Rd., Brighton, IA 52540	. 319/694-2430
Macbride Fish Management, 3475 Hwy. 382 NE, Solon, IA 52333	. 319/624-3615
Manchester Hatchery, 22693 205th Ave., Manchester, IA 52057	. 563/927-3276
Mississippi River Monitoring Station, 206 Rose St., Bellevue, IA 52031	. 563/872-5495
Mount Ayr Fish Management, 2093 E Loch Ayr Rd., Mount Ayr, IA 50854	. 641/464-3108
Rathbun Hatchery, 15053 Hatchery Place, Moravia, IA 52571	. 641/647-2406
Spirit Lake Hatchery, 122 252nd Ave., Orleans, IA 51360	.712/336-1840

#### **Forestry Bureau**

The Forestry Bureau manages Iowa's four major and six smaller state forests, totaling 40,706 acres. It pursues an active land acquisition program with a goal of 250,000 acres by the year 2020. State Forests are managed for a variety of goods and services. Demonstrating good woodland management and providing forest products, wildlife habitat, and a variety of outdoor recreation opportunities is the primary emphasis.

The four major state forests are: Loess Hills State Forest (9,236 acres) in Monona and Harrison Counties, Shimek State Forest (9,209 acres) in Lee and Van Buren Counties, Stephens State Forest (13,092 acres) in Lucas, Monroe, Clark, Appanoose, Davis, and Jasper Counties, and Yellow River State Forest (8,503 acres) in Allamakee County. The smaller units range in size from 34 to 314 acres; Backbone State Forest (Delaware County), White Pine Hollow State Forest (Dubuque County), Holst, Barkley, and Pilot Mound State Forests (Boone County), and Gifford State Forest (Pottawattamie County).

#### Trees For Kids/Trees For Teens

Trees for Kids and Trees for Teens are combination tree planting and education programs. Tree for Kids targets 5th and 6th grades. Trees for Teens targets students in 7th through 12th grades. Goals are to educate students about the values and benefits of trees, make young adults aware of forestry career opportunities, and encourage students to plant landscape-sized trees at their school or other public places. Instructional videos about Iowa's trees and tree planting have been sent to elementary school libraries.

#### **District Foresters**

District Foresters assist landowners with woodland and prairie management.

District 1	500 Gunder Rd. Suite C, Elkader, IA 52043	563/245-1891
District 2	621 Beck St., Charles City, IA 50616	641/228-6611
District 3	22608 S 2nd, Marshalltown, IA 50158	641/752-3352
District 4	Box 46, Anamosa, IA 52205	319/462-2768
District 5	515 Townsend Ave., Wapello, IA 52653	319/523-2216
District 6	Box 568, Fairfield, IA 52556	641/472-2370
District 7	1111 N 8th St., Chariton, IA 50049	641/774-8733
District 8	1918 Greene St., Adel, IA 50003	515/993-4133
District 9	712 S Hwy. 6, Oakland, IA 51560-0189	712/482-6245
District 10	1100 12th St. SW, LeMars, IA 51031	712/546-5161
District 11	500 E Taylor, Creston, IA 50801	641/782-6761
District 12	Box 232, Webster City, IA 50595	515/832-3585
District 13	4265 Oak Crest Hill Rd. SE, Iowa City, IA 52246-5581	319/351-8886

#### State Forest Nursery

2404 South Duff Ave. 1-800/865-2477 Ames, IA 50010 fax: 515/233-1131

The State Nursery provides trees and shrubs at minimal cost for reforestation, erosion control, and wildlife plantings. Nursery stock can be ordered for either fall or spring plantings. Many brochures, publications, and posters from the U.S. Forest Service can be ordered through the State Nursery.

#### Law Enforcement Bureau

#### IDNR Conservation Officers - CO

Conservation officers are law enforcement officers who protect the fish, wildlife, environment, and citizens of Iowa. They provide public relations materials including programs for classrooms and youth groups. Most counties have one officer; a few have two.

Call your county sheriff or one of the public safety communication centers listed below for the phone number of the conservation officer in your county.

Atlantic	712/243-3854	Des Moines	515/281-3561
Cedar Falls	319/277-4761	Fairfield	641/472-5001
Cedar Rapids	319/396-4414	Storm Lake	712/732-1341

#### IDNR Recreational Safety Officers - RSO

Recreational Safety Officers are conservation officers who spend half their time promoting safe outdoor recreation and providing safety education programs. These programs include: ATV Safety Education, Hunter Education, Boating Safety Education, Snowmobile Safety Education, Fur Harvesting Education, and Bow Hunter Education.

Coordinator – Des Moines 515/281-8652	SE - District 4 – Brighton 319/694-2430
NW - District 1 – Spirit Lake 712/336-1840	NC - District 5 – Clear Lake 641/357-3517
NE - District 2 – Manchester 563/927-3276	SC - District 6 – Des Moines . 515/281 - 8174
SW - District 3 – Lewis712/769-2587	

### TIP (Turn In Poachers)

1-800-532-2020

TIP is a non-profit corporation that provides rewards to people who report information on law violations that result in citations. TIP also sponsors educational materials and programming relating to wildlife laws. The toll-free TIP number is monitored 24-hours a day. Report fish and wildlife violations to TIP with as much information as possible including: description of the possible violator, vehicle, license number, and time and place of the violation.

#### Parks Bureau

Recreation opportunities abound in Iowa State Parks and Recreation Areas. From hiking to historical sites and bird-watching to bicycling, each park offers a unique attraction. Most are excellent sites for field trips. Call the park for more details on each area.

Park	Location	Phone Number	Satellite Areas
Ambrose A. Call	1 1/2 mi. SW Algona	515/295-3669	
Backbone	4 mi. SW Strawberry Pt., Hwy. 410	563/924-2527	Bixby
Badger Creek Rec. Area	6 mi. SE Van Meter	515/285-4502	
Beed's Lake	3 mi. NW Hampton	641/456-2047	
Bellevue	2 1/2 mi. S Bellevue, U.S. 52	563/872-4019	
Big Creek	2 mi. N Polk City, Hwy. 415	515/984-6473	
Bixby	5 mi. N Edgewood	563/924-2527	
Black Hawk	Lake View, Hwys. 175 & 71	712/657-8712	Twin Lakes
Bobwhite	1 mi. W Allerton, Hwy. 40	641/873-4670	
Brush Creek Canvon	2 mi. N Arlington	563/425-4161	

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Brushy Creek Rec. Area	4 mi. S Duncombe, Co. Rd. P73	515/359-2501	
Cedar Rock	3 mi. NW Quasqueton, Co. Rd. W35	319/934-3572	
Clear Lake	2 mi. S Clear Lake, Hwy. 106	641/357-4212	Woodman Hollow
Dolliver Memorial	3 mi. NW Lehigh, Hwy. 50	515/359-2539	woodman Hollow
Elk Rock (Red Rock)	7 mi. N Knoxville, Hwy. 14	641/842-6008	
Emerson Bay & Lighthouse		712/337-3211	
Fairport	5 mi. E Muscatine, Hwy. 22	563/263-4337	
Fort Atkinson	adjoins Fort Atkinson	563/425-4161	
Fort Defiance	1 mi. W Estherville, Hwy. 9	712/362-2078	Okamanpedan
Geode	4 mi. SW Danville, Co. Rd. X23	319/392-4601	
George Wyth Memorial	adjoining Cedar Falls, Hwy. 218	319/232-5505	
Green Valley	2 1/2 mi. NW Creston, Hwy. 186	641/782-5131	
Gull Point	3 1/2 mi. N Milford, Hwy. 86	712/337-3211	Emerson Bay, Isthmus Access, Lower Gar Access, Marble Beach, Mini-Wakan, Pikes Point, Pillsbury Point, Trappers Bay, Triboji Bay, Wanata
Honey Creek (Rathbun)	9 1/2 mi. W; 3-1/2 mi. SE Moravia, Hwy 142	641/724-3739	
Lacey-Keosauqua	adjoins Keosauqua, Hwy. 1	319/293-3502	
Lake Ahquabi	5 1/2 mi. SW Indianola, Hwy. 349	515/961-7101	
Lake Anita	5 mi. S Anita interchange, I-80	712/762-3564	
Lake Darling	3 mi. W Brighton, Hwys. 78 & 1	319/694-2323	
Lake Keomah	5 mi. E Oskaloosa, Hwy. 371	641/673-6975	
Lake Macbride	4 mi. W Solon, Hwy. 382	319/644-2200	
Lake Manawa	1 mi. S Council Bluffs, Hwy. 92	712/366-0220	
Lake of Three Fires	3 mi. NE Bedford, Hwy. 49	712/523-2700	
Lake Wapello	6 mi. W Drakesville, Hwy. 273	641/722-3371	
Ledges	6 mi. S Boone, Hwy. 164	515/432-1852	
Lewis and Clark	3 mi. W Onawa, Hwy. 175	712/423-2829	Preparation Canyon
Lower Gar Access	1/2 mi. SE Arnold's Park, Hwy. 71	712/337-3211	
McIntosh Woods	3/4 mi. E Ventura, U.S. 18	641/829-3847	
Maquoketa Caves	7 mi. NW Maquoketa, Hwy. 428	563/652-5833	
Marble Beach	2 mi. NW Orleans, Hwy. 276	712/337-3211	
Mines of Spain & E.B. Lyons Nature Center	S edge Dubuque from U.S. 52	563/556-0620	
Mini Wakan	N Shore Spirit Lake	712/337-3211	
Nine Eagles	6 mi. SE Davis City, Co. Rd. J66	641/442-2855	
Okamanpedan	3 mi. NE Doliver	712/362-2078	
Palisades-Kepler	3 1/2 mi. W Mt. Vernon, U.S. 30	319/895-6039	
Pikes Peak	3 mi. SE McGregor, Hwy. 340	563/873-2341	Turkey River Mounds

<b>Park</b>	Location	Phone Number	Satellite Areas
Pikes Point	2 1/2 mi. SW Spirit Lake, Hwy. 9	712/337-3211	
Pilot Knob	4 mi. E Forest City, Hwy. 9	641/581-4835	Rice Lake
Pine Lake	1/2 mi. NE Eldora, Co. Rd. S56	641/858-5832	
Pleasant Creek	4 mi. N 1/2 mi. W Palo, Co. Rd. W36	319/436-7716	
Prairie Rose	6 mi. SE Harlan, Co. Rd. M47	712/773-2701	
Preparation Canyon	5 mi. SW Moorhead, Hwy. 183	712/423-2829	
Red Haw Lake	1 mi. E Chariton, U.S. 34	641/774-5632	
Rice Lake	2 1/2 mi. SE Lake Mills	641/581-4835	
Rock Creek	6 mi. NE Kellogg, Co. Rd. F27	641/236-3722	
Shimek & Stevens Forest	Campgrounds	641/774-5632	
Springbrook	8 mi. N Guthrie Ctr., Hwys. 25 & 384	641/747-3591	
Stone State Park	8 mi. NW Sioux City, Hwy. 12	712/255-4698	
Templar Park	3 m. NW Spirit Lake, Hwy. 276	712/337-3211	
Union Grove	4 mi. SW Gladbrook, Co. Rd. T47	641/473-2556	
Viking Lake	4 mi. SE Stanton, Hwy. 115	712/829-2235	
Volga River	4 mi. N Fayette, Hwy. 150	563/425-4161	Brush Creek Canyon
Walnut Woods	4 mi. SW Des Moines, Hwy. 5	515/285-4502	
Wapsipinicon	adjoins Anamosa, Co. Rd. E34	319/462-2761	
Waubonsie	7 mi. SW Sidney, Hwys. 239 & 2	712/382-2786	
Wildcat Den	10 mi. E Muscatine, Hwy. 22	563/263-4337	
Wilson Island	5 mi. W Loveland, Hwy. 362	712/642-2069	
Yellow River	14 mi. SE Waukon	563/586-2254	

#### **Preserves**

The Iowa State Preserves System identifies and preserves, for this and future generations, portions of our natural pre-historical and historical heritage and maintains preserved lands, as nearly as possible, in their natural condition. Ninety parcels have been dedicated into the Preserves System (9,000 acres). Individuals, private conservation groups, cities, counties, or the state own the sites. Preserves are managed according to plans developed cooperatively by the owner, the Preserves Board, the preserve manager, and IDNR staff.

### Adopt-A-Program

515/281-8675

The Adopt-A-Program organizes concerned citizens dedicated to the stewardship of Iowa's streams, parks, prairies, forests, or other natural areas. It was developed to stimulate public awareness of our natural resources and to encourage environmental action to protect and enhance these resources. Adopt-A-Program is an opportunity for everyone to get involved in natural resource conservation.

#### Wildlife Bureau

The Wildlife Bureau includes 20 management units and three research stations, each staffed by biologists and technicians. Wildlife biologists manage public lands, assist private landowners with habitat improvement projects, and provide information about wildlife populations on public lands. Wildlife management areas encompass over a quarter million acres for outdoor recreation.

#### IDNR Wildlife Diversity Program

1436 255th St. 515/432-2823 Boone, IA 50036-7557 fax: 515/432-2835

The Wildlife Diversity Program is responsible for the 400 species of wildlife not hunted or trapped in the state. Activities included peregrine falcon, osprey, otter, and trumpeter swan restoration; Bald Eagle Appreciation Days; kestrel box program; research on nongame species; population surveys; and the Breeding Bird Atlas. Frog and Toad, Peregrine Falcon, Colonial Water Bird, and Raptor Nesting surveys are completed using volunteers. Several publications, posters, and handouts are available for student use. Slide shows and videos are available for loan.

#### IDNR Wildlife Research Biologists

Research biologists conduct research on wildlife populations, coordinate wildlife reintroduction and restoration efforts, collect biological data, make hunting season recommendations, and band waterfowl.

Wildlife Diversity Program administrator, 502 E 9th St, Des Moines 50319	515/281-4814
Chariton Research Station, 24570 US Hwy. 34, Chariton 50049	641/774-2958
Deer, Forest Wildlife, Turkeys	
Furbearers & trumpeter swan reintroduction, 1203 N Shore Dr., Clear Lake 50428	641/357-3517
Boone Research Station, 1436 255th St., Boone 50036	515/432-2823
Statistics and Surveys, Upland Wildlife, Website and Surveys, Wildlife Diversity	
Waterfowl and Wetlands, 1203 N Shore Dr., Clear Lake 50428	641/357-3517

#### Wildlife Management Biologists

Management biologists are responsible for on the ground management work on state-owned lands within the 20 management units. IDNR also has management biologists working on wildlife damage problems and with private landowners within the Mississippi River area.

Bays Branch Unit, 1000 School St., Ste. 3, Guthrie Center, IA 50115	641/332-2019
Big Marsh Unit, 115 2nd Ave. NW, Hampton, IA 50441	641/456-3730
Big Sioux Unit, 2248 125 <sup>th</sup> St., Spirit Lake, IA 51360	712/336-1485
Black Hawk Unit, Box 619, Lake View, IA 51450	712/657-2639
Coralville Unit, 51 Escort Lane, Iowa City, IA 52240	319/354-8343
Ingham Unit, 2109 Murray Rd., Estherville, IA 51334	712/362-2091
Maquoketa Unit, 201 W Platt, Maquoketa, IA 52060	563/652-3132
Mississippi River, 206 Rose St., Bellevue, IA 52031	563/872-5700
Missouri River Unit, RR 2 Box 15a, Onawa, IA 51040	712/423-2426
Mount Ayr Unit, 1201 E South, Mount Ayr, IA 50854	641/464-2220
Odessa Unit, 515 Townsend Ave., Wapello, IA 52653	319/523-8319
Otter Creek Unit, 2608 S 2nd St., Marshalltown, IA 50158	641/752-5521
Rathbun Unit, RR 5 Box 119aa#5, Chariton, IA 50049	
Red Rock Unit, Box 423, Indianola, IA 50125	515/961-0716
Rice Lake Unit, 1604 Central Ave., Northwood, IA 50459	641/324-2431

Riverton Unit, RR 1 Box 490, Sidney, IA 51652	712/374-3133
Ruthven Unit, 1900 N Grand B4086, Spencer, IA 51301	
Saylorville Unit, 1327 SE Marshall, Boone, IA 50036	515/432-2235
Sweet Marsh Unit, 501 17th SE, Independence, IA 50644	319/334-9191
Upper Iowa Unit, 2296 Oil Well Rd., Decorah, IA 52101	563/382-4895
Wapello Unit, 2938 Oak Meadow Dr., Ottumwa, IA 52501	641/682-3552
Wildlife Damage Management Biologists	
Western Region, RR 5 Box 119aa #5, Chariton, IA 50049	641/774-8563
Eastern Region, 319 1/2 S Lemon St., Tipton, IA 52772	563/886-3767
Private Lands Management Biologists	
1805 W Jefferson Ave. Ste. 2, Fairfield, IA 52556	641/472-8411
120 N Industrial Pkwy, #4, West Union, IA 52175	563/422-6201
605 E State St., Ste. 3, Algona, IA 50511	
PO Box 636, Sergeant Bluff, IA 51054	712/943-8297
2243 S Loomis, Ste. 3, Corning, IA 50841	641/322-3304
Wildlife Specialists	
DNR Office, RR 5 Box 119AA#5, Chariton, IA 50049	641/774-8011
Big Sioux Unit, 2408 17th St., Spirit Lake, IA 51360	712/336-3425
DNR Office, 217 State St., Garner, IA 50438	
Dallas Co. NRCS, 1918 Greene, Ste. 2, Adel, IA 50003	
DNR Office, Wallace Bldg., 502 E 9 <sup>th</sup> St., Des Moines, IA 50319	515/281-8270

# **Communications Bureau**

The Communications Bureau encompasses several education and information programs and materials including the *Iowa Outdoors*, Aquatic Education Program, and Springbrook Conservation Education Center.

#### **Iowa Outdoors**

The *Iowa Outdoors* is the official publication of the IDNR. The bi-monthly magazine includes information about all aspects of Iowa's natural resources.

#### **Aquatic Education Program**

2473 160th Road 641/747-2200

Guthrie Center, IA 50115 AquaticEd\_Info@dnr.iowa.gov

The Aquatic Education Program is an effort of the DNR Fisheries bureau designed to improve public understanding of aquatic resources and their environment.

#### **Demonstration Models**

### EnviroScape TM

The EnviroScape™ is a desktop model, developed by the Terrene Institute to demonstrate point and nonpoint sources and prevention of pollution in a watershed. The EnviroScape™ includes a user's guide for the demonstration facilitator. Cocoa, cooking oil, and powdered drink mixes represent pollutants. The model allows the presenter to show a series of events that may take years to occur in a natural setting. Models are available for loan from over 60 locations in Iowa.

#### **Stream Table**

The *Stream Table* shows how sediment, vegetation, and flowing water interact in a dynamic stream system. The portable model can be used to provide an interactive, hands-on demonstration for participants of all ages. It helps learners understand ambiguous terms such as "watershed" and "nonpoint source pollution." Models are available for loan at 23 locations.

#### Fish Iowa!

This teaching module incorporates physical education, health, biology, and home economics into a comprehensive program that focuses on fishing. Teaching aids include videos, posters, a CD-ROM, and free loan rods and reels. Materials are available at no cost through workshops, seminars, and individual training sessions.

# **Hooked on Fishing – Not on Drugs®**

This program for schools and communities offers a positive alternative to experimenting with drugs. Through fishing and aquatic education activities for grades K-12, students build self-esteem, life skills, civic responsibility, and improve family and community relationships. They also become caretakers of the environment. Materials include an instructor's manual and parent's guide distributed with the *Fish Iowa!* materials.

#### Projects WILD, WILD Aquatic, and Learning Tree

*Projects WILD*, *WILD Aquatic*, and *Learning Tree* are K-12 multidisciplinary programs provided to educators free of charge through pre-service methods classes and in-service workshops throughout the state. Most workshops are provided through teaching methods classes, but in-service workshops can be requested for a minimum of 15 educators and/or youth leaders. A nominal registration fee may be charged to cover facilitator expenses.

#### Taking Action: An Educator's Guide to Involving Students in Environmental Action Projects

This guide, intended for 5-12 grade educators, helps students translate interest in wildlife and environmental concerns into environmental action projects. Contact the *WILD/WILD Aquatic/PLT* coordinator for **single** copies.

#### **Conservation Education Center**

2473 160<sup>th</sup> Road 641/747-8383 Guthrie Center, IA 50115 fax: 641/747-3951

The primary purpose of the center is to work with student groups. Staff are available on-site to work with visitors. Located on the east side of Springbrook State Park, the center can be used by reservation only. Please check with the center for pricing and availability.

# Volunteer Program (Keepers of the Land)

800/367-1025 www.iowadnr.gov/volunteer/index.html

Keepers of the Land provides support for successful volunteer programs, and develops new opportunities for volunteers to help conserve, protect, and enhance our natural resources. Opportunities to volunteer are listed on the web site.

# **Public Universities**

# **Iowa State University**

#### **Iowa State University Extension**

Iowa State University www.extension.iastate.edu Ames, IA 50011

ISU Extension provides outreach in agriculture and natural resources, business and industry, communities, families, youth, and extended and continuing education. Contact your county office, or visit their web site for a complete listing of available publications. ISU Extension and Iowa Association of Naturalists have published several series of informational booklets for educators.

# **Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture**

209 Curtiss Hall 515/294-3711
Iowa State University fax: 515/294-9696
Ames, IA 50011-1050 www.leopold.iastate.edu

The Center offers conferences, workshops, tours, and youth camps. Some examples include: Iowa Master Conservationist Program, networking opportunities for Iowans involved in food systems and value-added projects, Center-sponsored investigators, and presentations at educational in-service training sessions, conferences, field days, and other events.

#### **NatureMapping**

124 Science II 515/294-7222

Iowa State University www.extension.iastate.edu/naturemapping

Ames, IA 50011-3221

NatureMapping is a program documenting the presence or absence of Iowa wildlife species. Special training workshops are provided and data entry is online.

# University of Iowa

# **Hygienic Laboratory**

University of Iowa 319/335-4500 102 Oakdale Campus, #H101 OH fax: 319/335-4555 Iowa City, IA www.uhl.uiowa.edu

The Hygienic Laboratory professionally analyzes water samples to insure the safety of Iowa's drinking and surface waters. The lab offers a week-long course in environmental assessment for talented and gifted students. The course uses field and laboratory perspectives and is a hands-on experience involving chemists, microbiologists, and limnologists from the lab.

#### Division of Recreational Services

University of Iowa 319/335-9293

E216 Field House www.recserv.uiowa.edu

Iowa City, IA 52242

#### Macbride Raptor Project - MRP

Washington Hall – Kirkwood Community College 319/398-5495

6301 Kirkwood Blvd. SW www.macbrideraptorproject.org

Cedar Rapids, IA 52406

The University's Division of Recreational Services offers environmental education programs, maintains a raptor rehabilitation and education center, and has facilities for picnicking, camping, hiking, and cross-country skiing at the University of Iowa Macbride Nature Area.

# **University of Northern Iowa**

# <u>Center for Energy and Environmental Education – CEEE</u>

University of Northern Iowa 319/273-2573 Cedar Falls, IA 50614-0293 fax: 319/273-7140 www.uni.edu/ceee/

The Center for Energy and Environmental Education seeks promotesactions at the local level that have global implications. CEEE's work focuses on energy use, land use, materials use, and consumption and population growth. Programs include: Iowa Energy Poster Contest, Rebuild Cedar Valley, Iowa Electrathon, Energy Star Congregations, Iowa Energy Summit, National Sustainable Consumption Initiative, Iowa Festival Recycling Project, Taking on the Challenge of Climate Change, and Environmental Issues Instruction.

# <u>Iowa Academy of Science - IAS: Iowa Science Teachers Section - ISTS</u>

175 Baker Hall, UNI 319/273-2581 or 319/273-2021

Cedar Falls, IA 50613 ists.pls.uni.edu

ISTS is the largest membership component of the Iowa Academy of Science. It advocates for excellence in Science Education by promoting professionalism, influencing policy, and enhancing learning. ISTS holds an annual fall conference to disseminate new teaching techniques and resources. IAS sponsors *Project WET* – water related activities for all grade levels. Its web page has downloadable activities and science links.

#### Iowa Project WET

 Iowa Academy of Science
 319/273-7486

 175 Baker Hall, UNI
 fax: 319/273-2807

Cedar Falls, IA 50614 www.uni.edu/~iowawet/

Workshop participants become familiar with the *Project WET Activity and Curriculum Guide* and peer teacher activities that use a variety of teaching and learning styles, and share classroom experiences. Project WET facilitators arrange workshops throughout the state. Contact the Iowa Project WET office for dates and locations.

# **County Conservation Boards – CCB**

County conservation boards own and manage public areas (museums, parks, preserves, parkways, playgrounds, recreation centers, forests, wildlife, and other conservation areas) in their counties. Many of these areas are good field trip destinations. CCB naturalists often assist with school programs and/or help locate other volunteers. Every Iowa county has a CCB.

#### **Adair CCB**

705 NE 6th St., Ste. A Greenfield, IA 50849 641/743-6450

#### **Adams CCB**

1688 Lake Icaria Rd. Corning, IA 50841 641/322-4793

#### Allamakee CCB

427 N 1st St., Box 278 Harpers Ferry, IA 52146 563/568-2996

#### Appanoose CCB

25069 520th St. Sharon Bluffs Park Centerville, IA 52544 641/856-8528

#### **Audubon CCB**

2672 Littlefield Dr. Exira, IA 50076 712/268-2762

#### **Benton CCB**

2113 57<sup>th</sup> Trail Vinton, IA 52349 319/472-4942

#### **Black Hawk CCB**

Hartman Reserve Nature Ctr. 657 Reserve Dr. Cedar Falls, IA 50613 319/277-2187

#### **Boone CCB**

610 H Ave. Ogden, IA 50212 515/353-4237

#### **Bremer CCB**

1104 S Main, Box 412 Tripoli, IA 50676 319/882-4742

#### **Buchanan CCB**

Fontana Park 1883 125th St. Hazelton, IA 50641 319/636-2617

#### **Buena Vista CCB**

377 440th St. Peterson, IA 51047 712/295-7985

#### **Butler CCB**

Heery Woods Nature Center 28727 Timber Rd. Clarksville, IA 50619 319/278-4237

## **Calhoun CCB**

1228 High St. Rockwell City, IA 50579 712/297-7131

#### Carroll CCB

22676 Swan Lake Dr. Carroll, IA 51401 712/792-4614

#### **Cass CCB**

5 W 7th St. Atlantic, IA 50022 712/243-3542

#### Cedar CCB

400 Cedar St.; Courthouse Tipton, IA 52772 563/886-6930

#### Cerro Gordo CCB

3501 Lime Creek Rd. Mason City, IA 50401 641/423-5309

#### **Cherokee CCB**

629 River Rd. Cherokee, IA 51012 712/225-6709

#### **Chickasaw CCB**

1811 240th St. Ionia, IA 50645 641/394-4714

#### Clarke CCB

100 S Main; Courthouse Osceola, IA 50213 641/342-3960

#### **Clav CCB**

420 10th Ave. SE Spencer, IA 51301 712/262-2187

#### **Clayton CCB**

29862 Osborne Rd. Elkader, IA 52043 563/245-1516

#### **Clinton CCB**

2308 255<sup>th</sup> St. Grand Mound, IA 52751 563/847-7202

#### **Crawford CCB**

2237 Yellowsmoke Rd. Denison, IA 51442 712/263-3409

#### **Dallas CCB**

Forest Park 1477 K Ave. Perry, IA 50220 515/465-3577

#### **Davis CCB**

22893 215th St. Bloomfield, IA 52537 641/664-2572

#### **Decatur CCB**

RR 1 Box 97A Leon, IA 50144 641/446-7307

#### **Delaware CCB**

2379 Jefferson Rd. Manchester, IA 52057 563/927-3410

#### **Des Moines CCB**

Starr's Cave Nature Center 11627 Starr's Cave Rd. Burlington, IA 52601 319/753-5808

#### **Dickinson CCB**

1924 240th St. Milford, IA 51351 712/338-4786

#### **Dubuque CCB**

13768 Swiss Valley Rd. Peosta, IA 52068 563/556-6745

#### **Emmet CCB**

2109 Murray Rd., Box 155 Estherville, IA 51334 712/362-2510

#### **Favette CCB**

Gilbertson Nature Cntr. 22580 A Ave. Elgin, IA 52141 563/426-5740

#### **Flovd CCB**

1227 215th St., Box 495 Rockford, IA 50468 641/756-3490

#### Franklin CCB

1002 Central Ave. W, Box 164 Hampton, IA 50441 641/456-4375

#### **Fremont CCB**

RR 1 Box 117 Sidney, IA 51652 712/374-2347

#### **Greene CCB**

114 N Chestnut; Courthouse Jefferson, IA 50129 515/386-5674

#### **Grundy CCB**

204 4th St., Box 36 Morrison, IA 50657 319/345-2688

#### **Guthrie CCB**

206 W South St. Panora, IA 50216 641/755-3061

#### **Hamilton CCB**

2490 Briggs Woods Tr. Webster City, IA 50595 515/832-9570

#### Hancock CCB

875 State St. Garner, IA 50438 641/923-2720

#### **Hardin CCB**

15537 "S" Ave. Ackley, IA 50601 641/648-4361

#### **Harrison CCB**

2725 Easton Tr. Woodbine, IA 51579 712/647-2785

#### **Henry CCB**

2593 Nature Center Dr. Mt. Pleasant, IA 52641 319/986-5067

#### **Howard CCB**

137 N Elm St.; Courthouse Cresco, IA 52136 563/547-3634

#### **Humboldt CCB**

208 5th St. N; Courthouse Dakota City, IA 50529 515/332-4087

#### **Ida CCB**

202 Jasper Ave. Ida Grove, IA 51445 712/364-3300

#### **Iowa CCB**

2550 G Ave. Ladora, IA 52251 319/655-8466

#### **Jackson CCB**

18670 63<sup>rd</sup> St. Maquoketa, IA 52060 563/652-3783

#### **Jasper CCB**

115 N 2nd Ave. E Newton, IA 50208 641/792-9780

#### **Jefferson CCB**

2003 Libertyville Rd. Fairfield, IA 52556 641/472-4421

#### **Johnson CCB**

2048 Hwy. 6 NW Oxford, IA 52322 319/645-1011

#### **Jones CCB**

12515 Central Park Rd. Center Junction, IA 52212 563/487-3541

#### **Keokuk CCB**

104 N Main, Box 323 Sigourney, IA 52591 641/622-3757

#### **Kossuth CCB**

2407 Hwy. 169 Algona, IA 50511 515/295-2138

#### Lee CCB

2652 Hwy. 61 Montrose, IA 52639 319/463-7673

#### Linn CCB

10260 Morris Hills Rd. Toddville, IA 52341 319/892-6485

#### Louisa CCB

12635 County Road G-56 Wapello, IA 52653 319/523-8381

#### **Lucas CCB**

45996 Hwy. 14 Chariton, IA 50049 641/774-2438

#### Lvon CCB

311 1st Ave. E Rock Rapids, IA 51246 712/472-2217

#### **Madison CCB**

2273 Clark Tower Rd. Box 129 Winterset, IA 50273 515/462-3536

#### Mahaska CCB

2254 200th St. New Sharon, IA 50207 641/673-9327

#### **Marion CCB**

Cordova Park 1378 Hwy. G28 Otley, IA 50214 641/627-5935

#### **Marshall CCB**

1302 E Olive St. Marshalltown, IA 50158 641/754-6303

#### Mills CCB

56235 Deacon Rd. Pacific Junction, IA 51561 712/527-9685

#### **Mitchell CCB**

18793 Hwy. 9 Osage, IA 50461 641/732-5204

#### Monona CCB

318 E Iowa Ave. Onawa, IA 51040 712/433-2400

#### **Monroe CCB**

10 Benton Ave. E Albia, IA 52531 641/932-5011

#### **Montgomery CCB**

2059 190th St. Red Oak, IA 51566 712/623-4753

#### **Muscatine CCB**

3300 Cedar St. Muscatine, IA 52761 563/264-5922

#### O'Brien CCB

5660 460th St. Paullina, IA 51046 712/448-2254

#### Osceola CCB

5945 Hwy. 9, Box 369 Ocheyedan, IA 51354 712/758-3709

#### Page CCB

112 E Gain; Courthouse Clarinda, IA 51632 712/542-3864

#### Palo Alto CCB

3259 355th Ave. Ruthven, IA 51358 712/837-4866

#### **Plymouth CCB**

25601 C60, Box 1033 Hinton, IA 51024 712/947-4270

#### **Pocahontas CCB**

702 NW 7th St. Pocahontas, IA 50574 712/335-4395

#### Polk CCB

11407 NW Jester Park Dr. Granger, IA 50109 515/323-5300

#### **Pottawattamie CCB**

223 S 6th; Courthouse Annex Council Bluffs, IA 51501 712/328-5638

#### **Poweshiek CCB**

4896 Stagecoach Rd., Box 666 Montezuma, IA 50171 641/623-3191

#### Ringgold CCB

RR 1 Box 83A Mount Ayr, IA 50854 641/464-2787

#### Sac CCB

2970 280th St. Sac City, IA 50583 712/662-4530

#### **Scott CCB**

Wapsi River EE Center 31555 52nd Ave. Dixon, IA 52745 563/843-2855

#### **Shelby CCB**

516 Maple Rd. Harlan, IA 51537 712/744-3403

#### Sioux CCB

Oak Grove Park 4051 Cherry Ave. Hawarden, IA 51023 712/552-3057

#### **Story CCB**

McFarland Park 56461 180th St. Ames, IA 50010 515/232-2516

#### Tama CCB

2283 Park Rd. Toledo, IA 52342 641/484-2231

#### **Taylor CCB**

2118 Post Ave. Bedford, IA 50833 712/523-2762

#### **Union CCB**

318 N Pine St., Box 291 Creston, IA 50801 641/782-7111

#### Van Buren CCB

775 Franklin St. Keosauqua, IA 52565 319/293-3589

#### Wapello CCB

1339 US Hwy. 63 Bloomfield, IA 52537 641/682-3091

#### Warren CCB

15565 118th Ave. Indianola, IA 50125 515/961-6169

#### **Washington CCB**

2943 Hwy. 92 Ainsworth, IA 52201 319/657-2400

#### **Wayne CCB**

P.O. Box 171 Corydon, IA 50060 641/872-2004

#### **Webster CCB**

Kennedy Park 1415 Nelson Ave. Fort Dodge, IA 50501 515/576-4258

#### Winnebago CCB

34496 110th Ave. Forest City, IA 50436 641/565-3390

#### Winneshiek CCB

2546 Lake Meyer Rd. Fort Atkinson, IA 52144 563/534-7145

#### **Woodbury CCB**

4500 Sioux River Rd. Sioux City, IA 51109 712/258-0838

#### **Worth CCB**

503 1st Ave. N Northwood, IA 50459 641/324-1524

#### Wright CCB

Lake Cornelia Park 1768 O'Brien Ave. Clarion, IA 50525 515/532-3185

# **Conservation Organizations**

# Bass Angler Sportsman Society - B.A.S.S.

www.iabass.com

B.A.S.S. has more than 2,800 clubs with approximately 50,000 members dedicated to the future of bass fishing. They promote catch-and-release, encourage community involvement, lobby, introduce youth to fishing, and conduct tournament creel census reports. There are 45 junior chapters with approximately 1,000 members. Many are affiliated with other youth organizations. The Bassmaster CastingKids program is a flip, pitch, and cast competition open to young people in two age groups, 7-10 and 11-14.

# Conservation Districts of Iowa - CDI

1711 Osceola Ave., Ste. 251 641/774-4461
P.O. Box 801 fax: 641/774-5319
Chariton, IA 50049 www.cdiowa.org

Soil and water conservation districts are legal subdivisions of state government managed by a board of five elected commissioners. Commissioners carry out state and federal laws and programs. They also serve as local sponsors for watershed projects, resource and development areas, and soil surveys. The National Association of Conservation Districts publishes materials for educators on soil conservation and sponsors the Canon Envirothon with Monsanto, the U.S. Forest Service, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The Envirothon is a multi-disciplinary, environmental problem-solving program culminating in an annual series of competitions. Teams of five students (grades 9 - 12), sponsored by a local conservation district, train and compete in the areas of soils, aquatic ecology, wildlife, forestry, and current environmental issues at local, regional, and state levels.

# Ducks Unlimited, Inc. - DU

One Waterfowl Way
Memphis, TN 38120

800/45 DUCKS

www.ducks.org

Ducks Unlimited, Inc.

225 W Main, Lower Level
Lake Mills, IA 50450

641/592-3600

Ducks Unlimited's mission is to fulfill the annual life cycle needs of North American waterfowl by protecting, enhancing, restoring, and managing important wetlands and associated uplands. Since 1937, DU has raised money for conservation of prime wildlife habitat in all fifty states, each of the Canadian provinces, and key areas of Mexico. Downloadable materials are on their web site (e.g., An Index of Supplemental Wetland/Outdoor Activities listed by topic, Complete Classroom Curriculum (4-12), Teacher's Guide for Grades 4-6)

# **Hawkeye Fly Fishing Association – HFFA**

PO Box 947 319/683-2864

Iowa City, IA 52244-0947 www.hawkeyeflyfishing.com

HFFA is a non-profit organization of Iowa anglers and conservationists dedicated to promoting fly-fishing and associated activities. HFFA is an affiliate of the Federation of Fly Fishers (FFF), an organization devoted to promoting all types of fly-fishing and protecting fly-fishing waters and their inhabitants. HFFA has worked on trout stream improvements in northeast Iowa, publishes a newsletter, and sponsors events around the state each year including introductory fly-fishing and fly tying clinics.

# Iowa Association of Naturalists - IAN

PO Box 68 563/847-7202 Grand Mound, IA 52571 fax: 563/847-7204 www.ianpage.20m.com

The Iowa Association of Naturalists promotes the development of skills and education within the art of interpreting natural and cultural resources in Iowa. IAN publishes a newsletter, *The Web*, educator information, and a *Guide to Environmental Education and Interpretive Services in Iowa*, and sponsors a junior naturalist program and continuing education workshops.

# **Iowa Conservation Education Coalition – ICEC**

PO Box 9052 adminicec@hotmail.com

Cedar Rapids, IA 52409 iowaee.org

The Iowa Conservation Education Coalition is one of the largest state organizations of conservation educators in the nation. Members include classroom teachers, college educators, and interpretive naturalists representing county, state, federal, and private entities. Members receive the newsletter, *Pathways to Education*, three times a year. Workshops are co-sponsored by ICEC and cooperating agencies. Sessions concentrate on teaching techniques in outdoor education, general outdoor knowledge, and environmental issues. ICEC provides grants to educators and has an awards program recognizing outstanding classroom teachers, naturalists, business leaders, youth, non-profit groups, and others dedicated to environmental education. Yearly membership is \$25 for adults and \$20 for students.

# Iowa Environmental Council - IEC

521 E Locust St., Ste. 220 515/244-1194
Des Moines, IA 50309 fax: 515/244-7856
www.earthweshare.org

The Iowa Environmental Council was formed in 1994 by a group of 29 organizations and individuals concerned about the environment. The Council seeks a sustainable future through shaping public policy, research and education, coalition-building, and advocacy. Individual membership is \$50 per year. Their web page has detailed descriptions of all member organizations.

# Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation - INHF

505 Fifth Ave., Suite 444 515/288-1846
Des Moines, IA 50309-2321 fax 515/288-0137
www.inhf.org

INHF builds partnerships and educates Iowans to protect, preserve, and enhance Iowa's natural resources for future generations. Current organization priorities include: permanent land protection (through land purchase for public holding or conservation easements), trail and greenway establishment (Iowa trail maps available online), promotion of improved land management (prairie restoration, Neotropical migrant bird habitat needs, and watershed protection), and providing internship opportunities. Several educational publications are available online.

# Iowa Ornithologist Union - IOU

2308 State Ave. 515/292-3790 Ames, IA 50014-8344 www.iowabirds.org

Listserv: www.iowabirds.org/main/listserve.asp

The Iowa Ornithologist Union is a nonprofit group organized to promote enjoyment and study of birds. Membership is open to anyone interested in birds. IOU encourages interest in identification, study, and protection of birds in Iowa. The IOU publishes a quarterly journal, *Iowa Bird Life*, a quarterly newsletter, *IOU News*, and a *Field Checklist of Iowa Birds*. A bird line contains a recording of locations of interesting birds recently sighted around the state (712/364-2863). IOU published a teacher's activity guide on birds.

# Iowa Prairie Network - IPN

PO Box 572 515/382-1512

Nevada, IA 50201 www.iowaprairienetwork.org

The Iowa Prairie Network sponsors guided hikes, work projects, and education programs designed to learn about, teach, enjoy, and protect Iowa's prairie heritage. It provides technical advice on prairie management and prairie preservation methods and technical publications.

# **Iowa Student Environmental Coalition – ISEC**

1605 320th Way 515/833-2964 Earlham, IA 50072 fax: 515/465-3379

The Iowa Student Environmental Coalition, a coalition of thoughtful, committed Iowa students, encourages others to become responsible and active towards an environmentally sound future through actions at the local, regional, and state-wide level. ISEC hopes to inspire Iowa's students through communication, education, awareness, and action, thus strengthening unity among students. It sponsors a state fall student conference, political activism workshop, state spring student conference, regional student conferences, and a statewide student water monitoring project. ISEC publishes a quarterly newsletter and a Student Environmental Groups Directory.

# Iowa Wildlife Rehabilitators Association - IWRA

PO Box 217 Osceola, IA 50213

641/342-2783

The Iowa Wildlife Rehabilitators Association is a nonprofit organization that promotes public awareness of wildlife rehabilitation and provides rehabilitators with current information regarding wildlife care. IWRA offers quality care and treatment to injured wildlife. After recovery, healthy animals are returned to appropriate wild habitats. Members of IWRA include licensed rehabilitators, veterinarians, environmental educators, humane societies, and interested individuals. IWRA publishes an informative newsletter, *Rehab Ringer* and a state directory of wildlife rehabilitators. Educator materials include a color and learn book and protected predator poster. Internship opportunities and tours may be available with IWRA organizations.

# Izaak Walton League of America, Iowa Division - IWLA

321 E Walnut, Ste. 130 515/883-2358
Des Moines, IA 50319-2048 fax: 515/883-2362
iowaikes@mcleodusa.net www.iowaikes.com/

A nonprofit conservation organization formed nationally in 1922, the Ikes are dedicated to protecting the air, land, and water resources. Priority issues include water quality, manure management, and energy issues. The League has a *Save Our Streams* program with a citizen's action guide, newsletter, and kid's packet. A Wetland Adoption program also is available. A Fish Kill Advisory Network is available at their web site. Check for a local chapter in your area. Some chapters are active in youth education through a program called Uncle Ikes.

# **Loess Hills Alliance**

1600 S Hwy 275, Ste. 190 712/309-0012 Council Bluffs, IA 51503 fax: 712/309-0013

The Loess Hills Alliance provides grassroots, broad-based representation for land use management and stewardship in the Loess Hills region. The Alliance communicates, cooperates, and coordinates conservation efforts in the Loess Hills. An interactive CD-ROM includes information about the Loess Hills and the Loess Hills Alliance, studies that have been completed in the Hills, and the Iowa Department of Educations Loess Hills Curriculum.

# **National Arbor Day Foundation**

100 Arbor Ave. 888/448-7337 Nebraska City, NE 68410 www.arborday.org

The National Arbor Day Foundation is the world's largest tree-planting organization. It provides more than 8 million trees for planting throughout America each year. Their web site has many ideas for celebrating Arbor Day and youth education materials are available.

# **National Audubon Society**

700 Broadway lowa Audubon

New York, NY 10003 PO Box 71174

212/979-3000 Des Moines, IA 50325

fax: 212/979-3188 515/727-4271 www.audubon.org fax: 515/727-4273

The National Audubon Society's goal is to restore ecosystems so other birds and wildlife can flourish and enrich the diversity of life on Earth. Annual membership is \$20 and includes the *Audubon* magazine and membership in your local chapter. Resources and classroom projects for educators, updated monthly, are available on their web page. Classroom resources include: *Audubon Adventures* (grades 3 – 6), *National Audubon Society First Field Guides*, and more. Interactive web projects for students also can be found on the web page (e.g., WatchList for Kids, Great Backyard Bird Count, Classroom FeederWatch, and Earth Stewards). Audubon also sponsors professional development for educators, Audubon camps and workshops, and the Audubon Expedition Institute.

# National Wild Turkey Federation – NWTF

Iowa's Regional Director

3158 Pacific 641/342-2500 Woodburn, IA 50275 www.nwtf.com

NWTF is a grassroots, non-profit organization with 390,000 members in 50 states, Canada, and 11 foreign countries. It supports scientific wildlife management on public, private, and corporate lands as well as wild turkey hunting as a traditional North American sport. NWTF helps sponsor many educational events around the state. Their web page lists contact information for staff in specific areas. Education programs include, JAKES field days (youth) and Women in the Outdoors events.

# National Wildlife Federation - NWF

11100 Wildlife Center Dr. **Iowa Wildlife Federation** 

Reston, VA 20190 Box 3332

800/822-9919 Des Moines, IA 50316

www.nwf.org 319/624-3107 fax: 319/644-3213

The National Wildlife Federation is a grassroots, non-profit organization founded in 1936 by editorial cartoonist J.N. "Ding" Darling. NWF's main goal is to encourage people of all ages to conserve and protect the environment. Hands-on nature programs, educator resources, activities, and lesson plans are available.

# (The) Nature Conservancy, Iowa Chapter

The Homestead Building 515/244-5044
303 Locust St., Ste. 402 fax: 515/244-8890
Des Moines, IA 50309 www.tnc.org/iowa

The Nature Conservancy is an international, nonprofit environmental organization committed to the protection of biodiversity. Its mission is to preserve plants, animals, and natural communities that represent the diversity of life on Earth by protecting the lands and waters they need to survive. Since 1963, the Conservancy has helped save thousands of acres in Iowa. Currently, the Conservancy manages 33 preserves totaling over 5,000 acres of natural sanctuaries in 34 Iowa counties. Members receive *Iowa Field Notes*.

# Pheasants Forever - PF

www.pheasantsforever.org

Southern Iowa	Central Iowa	Western Iowa	Eastern Iowa
Jim Wooley	Dave VanWaus	John Linquist	Tom Fuller
641/774-2238	641/377-3480	712/754-3221	319/828-2050

Pheasants Forever is a nonprofit conservation organization dedicated to protection and enhancement of pheasant and other upland wildlife populations through habitat improvement, public awareness and education, and land management that benefits farmers and wildlife. Most Iowa counties have chapters and local contacts. PF's youth programs include a mentoring manual and the Leopold Education Project (LEP). LEP is an innovative, interdisciplinary, critical thinking, conservation and environmental education curriculum based on the classic writings of the renowned conservationist, Aldo Leopold.

For more information on LEP:

1783 Buerkle Circle 877/773-2070 St. Paul, MN 55110 fax: 651/773-5500 www.lep.org

# Practical Farmers of Iowa - PFI

P.O. Box 349 515/232-5661 Ames, IA 50010 fax: 515/232-5649 www.pfi.iastate.edu

Practical Farmers of America promotes the interests of Iowa farmers by encouraging, sponsoring, and conducting research and educational activities designed to improve land productivity and enrich the health, environment, and economic well-being of farm families. Members receive *The Practical Farmer*, a quarterly newsletter. A member directory of skills and interests, a guide to statewide field days, and other publications are available. PFI sponsors a summer camp for families and youth to learn about Iowa's food systems and ecologically sound farming. PFI also provides direct contact with growers for Iowa-produced meals for groups and conferences.

# Saving Our Avian Resources – S.O.A.R

25494 320<sup>th</sup> St. 712/683-5555 Dedham, IA 51440 fax: 712/683-5535

www.soarraptors.org/index.html

SOAR is a non-profit organization that supports wildlife rehabilitation in western Iowa. Educational programs using live birds of prey are available. Birds of prey (raptors) are used to discuss raptor biology, predator/prey relationships, endangered species, and habitat quality and conservation. Wild birds can be "adopted" to fund their recovery and release to the wild. Tours of rehabilitation facilities are available.

# **Trees Forever**

770 7th Ave. 319/373-0650 or 800/369-1269

Marion, IA 52302 fax: 319/373-0528 www.treesforever.org

Trees Forever's mission is to facilitate planting and care of trees and conservation and restoration of forests through action-oriented programs, education, and public awareness. Trees Forever promotes stream buffers (that help control erosion, increase wildlife habitat, and reduce nonpoint source pollution along Iowa rivers and streams), community planning and plantings, and roadside vegetation restorations. Trees Forever produces videos and other publications to educate people of all ages about the environmental importance and cultural significance of trees in everyday life. Visit their web page for a complete list.

# **Trout Unlimited – TU**

1500 Wilson Blvd., #310 800/834-2419 Arlington, VA 22209-2404 www.tu.org

TU sponsors First Cast. This flexible curriculum divides the skills of fly-fishing into units and includes step-by-step recommendations for organizing classes, events, field trips, and community projects. Members and chapters have access to low-cost equipment and other materials. Iowa contacts are listed on their web page.

# Whitetails Unlimited - WTU

PO Box 720 – 1715 Rhode Island St. 800/274-5471 Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235 fax: 920/743-4658

www.whitetailsunlimited.com

Whitetails Unlimited is a national conservation organization dedicated to the betterment of the whitetailed deer and its environment. WTU supports educational programs, habitat conservation, and preservation of the hunting tradition. Some educational programs include: hunting tradition (support of hunter safety education), DEER Program (Developing Educational Environmental Resources), HOPE Program (Habitat Options and Planned Enhancement), and Project POLITE (Permission Of Landowner In order To Enter). Educational booklets are available online.